

VICTORIAN TRADING CO-OPERATIVE ASSOCIATION LIMITED.

REPORT TO MEMBERS FOR YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1974.

- Meetings : The board met on five occasions for the year.
- New Members : The board admitted two new co-operatives to membership of the Association, namely :-  
Yinnar Community Hotel Co-operative Limited  
and  
Thorpdale Co-operative Limited.  
Present membership is five societies.
- Legislation : As amendments to the Co-operation Act to widen eligibility for membership of the Association were not likely to be introduced for some time, the board in September 1973 recommended to the Co-operative Federation of Victoria that the Federation should actively recruit co-operatives in Victoria which are not eligible to be members of the Association. The Federation adopted this recommendation.
- National Convention : Two of our directors attended the National Co-operatives Convention in Canberra on 24th-26th August 1973.
- Urban Co-operative Development : Our Association supported a decision by Co-operative Federation of Victoria to set up a committee to report on Urban Co-operative Development and has appointed a representative to act on the committee.
- Co-op Symbol : Our recommendation to the Co-operative Federation of Victoria that it recommend to its constituent members that they use the Canadian type Co-op symbol in advertising and on premises was adopted.
- Subscriptions : The board made concessions in regard to subscriptions for year ended 31st March 1974 and fixed the following subscriptions :-
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| Y.C.W. Co-operative Society Limited         | \$350. |
| Morwell Co-operative Limited                | \$200. |
| Waverley & District Co-operative Limited    | \$65.  |
| Yinnar Community Hotel Co-operative Limited | NIL.   |
| Thorpdale Co-operative Limited              | NIL.   |
- As can be seen from the financial statements these subscriptions were adequate to meet the Association's financial commitments for the year.
- Co-operative Federation of Victoria : The Association continued active participation in the Co-operative Federation of Victoria.

31st May, 1974.

B.H. MACINTOSH.  
CHAIRMAN.